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Maintenance of the Tuberculosis Sanatoria in the State.

* 62 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) what was the amount spent by this Government in 1952–53 for maintaining the Tuberculosis Sanatoria of Tambaram, Bellary and Nellore ; and

(*b*) whether there was ever any proposal to establish a Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Malabar by the Government?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) The amounts spent by the Government in 1952–53 for maintaining the Tuberculosis Sanatoria of Tambaram, Bellary and Nellore are Rs. 9,89,600, Rs. 2,46,552 and Rs. 43,400–13–3 respectively. (The expenditure in respect of the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Nellore, is for seven months ending with March 1953, as the Sanatorium was started on 30th August 1952.)

" (*b*) A Tuberculosis Sanatorium is being constructed at Periyaram by the Malabar District Committee of the Madras Provincial Welfare Fund and it is likely to be completed and occupied shortly.

Since the receipt of the reply at the Assembly Secretariat, I may say that the sanatorium was opened on the 22nd of last month by the Hon. the Chief Minister."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, may I know whether the Government have given this sanatorium the grant promised by them? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, in the Budget Estimate for 1953–54, the Government have provided a lakh of rupees and out of this amount they have paid last month a sum of Rs. 69,200 as the first instalment."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" മലബാറിൽ ഈയിടെ തുറന്നിരിക്കുന്ന പര്യാരം സാനിട്ടോറിയം ഗവമ്മേണ്ട് ഏറ്റെടുക്കാനുള്ള വല്ല ആലോചനയുമുണ്ടോ ? "

SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, since certain hon. Members are asking questions in Malayalam, cannot the Government make arrangements to have these questions answered by Malayalam Ministers? "

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, in view of the fact that Malayalam and Kannada sound alike, may I know what is the difficulty felt by the Hon. Minister for Public Health in answering questions put in Malayalam? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I want to correctly understand the question before I give my reply.

There is no proposal at present to take over the sanatorium because the Committee have made no such proposal."

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SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" പഴ്യാരം സാനിട്ടോറിയത്തിന്റെ മെയിൻറനൻസ് ഗവൺമെൻറ് ഏറ്റെടുക്കാത്തതുമൂലം ആ സാനിട്ടോറിയം കൊണ്ടുദ്ദേശിക്കുന്ന ഫലം ഉണ്ടാകുന്നില്ലെന്നറിയാമോ ? "

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI (Translation) :—" இந்த ஸானடோரியத்தை நடத்துவதற்கு வேண்டிய செலவுத் தொகையினுடைய உத்தரவாதத்தை சர்க்கார் ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளாத காரணத்தினால் அந்த ஸானடோரியத்திலிருந்து எதிர்பார்க்கப்படும் பலன் கிடைக்கவில்லை யென்பதை சர்க்கார் அறியுமா ? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" As I have already said, the sanatorium was opened only last month on the 22nd of November 1953."

11-10 a.m. DR. K. B. MENON :—" May I know whether the Government have given up their proposal to have a Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Malappuram? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I am not aware of any such proposal. The District Committee selected this site and this was approved by the Director of Medical Services."

SRI P. KUNHIRAMA KIDAV :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government will issue instructions for the payment of substantial grants to Periyaram Tuberculosis Sanatorium immediately so that the poor patients admitted there may be benefited? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The first instalment was paid; subsequent instalments will be paid in due course."

SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM :—" டி. பி. சானடோரியம் ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவுக்கும் அவசியமாக இருப்பதாலும், அந்த வியாதியானது மிகக் கடுமையாக எல்லோரையும் தாக்குவதாலும், இதைப்பற்றி தஞ்சை ஜில்லாவிற்கு முதல் மந்திரி அவர்கள் வந்திருந்தபோது கலெக்டர் அவர்கள் சொல்லியிருந்தும் கூட, அதுவிஷயமாக என்ன நடவடிக்கை சர்க்கார் எடுத்திருக்கிறார்கள் என்பதை கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொல்லுவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" உங்கள் கேள்வி மந்திரி அவர்களுக்கு விளங்கவில்லை. "

SRI P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN :—" The hon. Member asks: 'When His Excellency Sri Sri Prakasa and Hon. Ministers of the Government visited the Ramalingam Sanatorium at Perundurai, it was represented to them that more grants should be sanctioned for running it. May I know whether the Government will sanction additional grants this year? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" A separate question may be put."

Major Irrigation Projects for the Tiruchirappalli district.

* 63 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the State Government have recommended any major irrigation projects and other development works in Tiruchirappalli district to be included in the first Five-Year Plan;